This application is a Section 371 of PCT/JP00/01359, published in English language on October 19, 2000 under WO 00/61444, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

In the Claims:

Please examine this application on the basis of the claims attached to the International Preliminary Examination Report.

Please add claim 16 as follows:

--16. A dispensing package comprising:

a square tubular case accommodating therein stacked unit packages, each package containing a plurality of cylindrical batteries aligned in parallel with the front wall of the case;

an opening for putting in and out the unit packages provided on an upper part of said square-tubular case;

a lid for closing said opening;

a bottom; and

an extracting outlet or a tear-off portion for forming an extracting outlet for extracting the unit package,

wherein the top surface of said bottom is inclined so that the front side of the bottom is lower than the rear side thereof and said extracting outlet or the tear-off portion is provided on a side wall of said case such that the unit package placed on the top surface of the bottom is taken out of the outlet from one end of the batteries in the unit package.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-2, 4-7 and 14-16 are pending in the application.

The purpose of this amendment is to insert the reference to the parent application of which this is a Section 371 national phase and to place the application headings in appropriate U.S. form along with adding an additional claim to this application. Such amendments are formal in nature and no new matter is added by any of the above amendments. A marked-up

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